



Press Release

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On: SEPTEMBER 1 TEXAS CATTLE ON FEED
DOWN 1 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN . . . Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.67 million head on September 1, down 1 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, the estimate was unchanged from the August 1 level. Producers placed 530,000 head in commercial feedlots during August, down 13 percent from a year ago, but up 34 percent from the July 2004 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 520,000 head during August, down 10 percent from last year but up 11 percent from the July 2004 total.

On September 1, there were 2.21 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 83 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was down 1 percent from last year, and down slightly from the August total.

August placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 447,000 head, up 35 percent from the July total. Marketings were up 12 percent from last month to 440,000 head.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 9.97 million head on September 1, 2004. This inventory was 1 percent above September 1, 2003.

Placements in feedlots during August totaled 2.10 million head, 12 percent below August 2003. August placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 506,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 413,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 565,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 615,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 1.92 million head, 7 percent below 2003.

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Cattle and Calves: Placements, Marketings, Other Disappearance and Inventory in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots										
State	Cattle and Calves									
	On feed August 1		Placed on feed during August		Marketed during August		Other disappearance during August		On feed September 1	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Arizona	271	294	28	30	23	26	2	2	274	296
California	485	520	65	63	57	59	3	4	490	520
Colorado	860	880	240	205	195	150	5	5	900	930
Idaho	240	235	58	58	52	47	1	1	245	245
Iowa	295	380	79	62	73	66	1	1	300	375
Kansas	2,180	2,120	580	520	500	495	10	15	2,250	2,130
Nebraska	1,570	1,750	470	420	370	360	10	10	1,660	1,800
New Mexico	116	127	23	23	15	19	3	2	121	129
Oklahoma	335	315	84	76	72	64	2	2	345	325
South Dakota	148	157	30	25	43	43	1	1	134	138
TEXAS	2,690	2,670	610	530	580	520	20	10	2,700	2,670
Washington	170	150	51	33	35	22	1	1	185	160
Other States	230	255	66	54	60	52	1	2	235	255
United States	9,590	9,853	2,384	2,099	2,075	1,923	60	56	9,839	9,973

Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots										
State	During August									
	Less than 600 pounds		600-699 pounds		700-799 pounds		800 pounds or more		Total	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Colorado	43	30	55	40	63	65	79	70	240	205
Kansas	120	115	150	100	205	180	105	125	580	520
Nebraska	74	66	80	54	141	100	175	200	470	420
TEXAS	220	165	170	165	150	130	70	70	610	530
Other States	145	130	74	54	100	90	165	150	484	424
United States	602	506	529	413	659	565	594	615	2,384	2,099

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, United States ¹ , September 1, 2002-2004										
Item	Number			2004 as Percent of						
	2002	2003	2004	2002	2003					
	<i>1,000 head</i>					<i>Percent</i>				
On feed August 1 ^{2/}	10,109	9,590	9,853	97	103					
Placed on feed during August ^{2/}	2,228	2,384	2,099	94	88					
Fed cattle marketed during August ^{2/}	2,135	2,075	1,923	90	93					
Other disappearance during August ^{2/ 3/}	43	60	56	130	93					
On feed September 1 ^{3/}	10,159	9,839	9,973	98	101					

¹ The Cattle on Feed release has been modified to exclude calculation and publication of this historic 7 States.
² Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.
³ Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots									
Cattle and calves	District 1-N	District 1-S	District 2-N	District 2-S	District 7	District 8-N	District 10-N	Other districts	State total
	<i>1,000 head</i>								
On feed August 1 ^{1/}	2,211	221	75	18	17	28	52	48	2,670
Placed on feed during August	447	30	15	4	5	6	12	11	530
Marketed during August	440	30	14	5	7	6	9	9	520
Other disappearance during August ^{2/}	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	10
On feed September 1 ^{1/}	2,210	220	76	17	15	28	55	49	2,670

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